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In re Application of:
Bell et al.

Serial No.: 08/455,683

Filed: May 31, 1995

For: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING AGONISTS
AND ANTAGONISTS

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: Landsman, Robert S.

Atty. Dkt. No.: ARCD:177

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants request an extension of time of one month to and including January 22, 2004, in which to file their Notice of Appeal in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the extension fee is \$60.00. That fee is included herewith.

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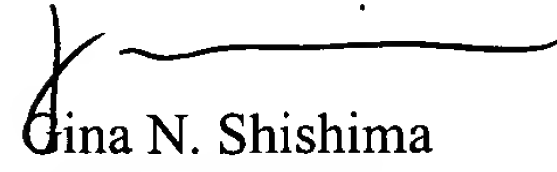
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed September 22, 2004, finally rejecting claims 97-102, 109, 112-114, 123 and 137-156.

The fee for filing this Notice of Appeal is 250.00 and is attached hereto.

Also, a request for a one-month extension of time to respond is included herewith. The extension fee is included in the attached check with the Notice of Appeal fee. This extension will bring the due date to January 22, 2004. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee.

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